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SUBJECT: JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL

1. PLEASE PASS ON FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO ORVILLE FREEMAN:

2. YOU WERE KIND ENOUGH TO INVITE ME TO ADDRESS THE OPENING MEETING OF THE JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL AND TO SPEAK AT YOUR BANQUET THE NEXT EVENING. IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT STATE OF BILATERAL POLITICAL RELATIONS,

I HOPE YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT I DO NOT THINK IT APPROPRIATE TO ACCEPT EITHER INVITATION. IF ASKED BY THE INDIANS, I WILL EXPLAIN MY REFUSAL ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE JBC IS A MEETING OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AND SHOULD MOST PRODUCTIVELY BE LEFT TO THESE ORGANIZATIONS.

3. "I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU AND YOUR DELEGATION COULD JOIN ME AT ROOSEVELT HOUSE IN AN INFORMAL LUNCHEON AND BRIEFING FEBRUARY 2, WHEN WE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THE CURRENT SITUATION HERE AND HOW THIS AFFECTS PROSPECTS FOR THE JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THEN."
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